REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration in view of the instant amendment and response. Claims 18-25 and 27-34 remain pending in the present application. Claims 1-17 and 26 are cancelled herein without prejudice. Claims 18, 24 and 27 are amended herein. Claims 29-34 are added herein. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

Based on the amendments presented above, Applicants respectfully assert that Claims 18-25 and 27-34 are allowable and, therefore, Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of these Claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

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